Next March 2013, Gipuzkoa and specifically the city of Donostia will host the European Veterans Athletics Indoor Championship, a tournament that gains strength. This championship is unquestionably an opportunity for the region, for the participants and for the city in general, as a demonstration of the commitment of Gipuzkoa with sports and athletic tradition. Donostia is a unique setting to host this tournament, has excellent facilities for athletics and a superb landscape for tourism.

In this edition, the Velodrome will be the main stage of the competition, a venue that has already hosted the 2003 edition. An installation that over the years has been modified and modernized, to make it adaptable to the different competitions held annually. The best veteran athletes from all over the continent will have the chance to prove themselves its high level of competition. It is expected that during the 6-day championship Anoeta Sports City will hold more than 3,000 athletes from across Europe participating in various categories: pentathlon, walk, high jump, long jump, and so on.

Athletes will compete in different categories from 35 to over 95 years, that allows foreseeing athletes of the various age ranges, and we expect to have increased female participation over previous editions. It will be a great sporting event in which several thousand visitors, athletes and guests will share with the people of Gipuzkoa this exceptional event that will have a positive impact on the entire region.

The organizers would like to encourage all runners over 35 to be part of this event, participating in some of the sport events offered. This is not a competition in which the only goal is to win, no matter be last or first, either long or short run, the main thing is to enjoy and the psychological and moral award of knowing you’ve done your best with your team.

We would like to invite everyone who feels athletics to this show from 19 to 24 March at the Anoeta Velodrome and San Sebastián Hippodrome.

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